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BATTLE AT VERDUN STILL IS UNDECISIVE

While Germans Claim Further Advances, They Are Flatly Contradicted by the French

DESPERATE FIGHTING AROUND DOUAUMONT

Fort Has Fallen to the Germans, But is Reported to be in Ruins—French Counter Attacks Were Delivered With Such Force That Some of the German Detachments Were Driven Back—Throughout the Entire Sector of Verdun, Except on the Western Bank of the Meuse River, the Artillery Duels Are of Vast Proportions—Austro-Hungarians Repulsed by Russians in Galicia.

The tide of battle around Verdun has not apparently flowed in favor of either side. While the Germans claim further advances, the French are equally emphatic in their claim of having checked the attacks of the masses of German infantry sent against them.

Fort Douaumont has fallen to the Germans, but is reported to be in ruins. Around this position the most desperate fighting of the battle has been going on since Friday. Here French counter-attacks were delivered with such crushing force that some of the German detachments were driven back and one regiment is almost encircled. West of this fort, in a hand-to-hand encounter, the French have defeated the Germans from a small redoubt which they had captured.

Throughout the entire sector of Verdun, except on the western bank of the Meuse river, where the German bombardment has slackened somewhat, the artillery duels are still of vast proportions. To the southeast the French at Fresnes in the Woëvre region, have put down two German attacks against that town, but the Germans have inaugurated an important movement in the Champagne district where by a surprise attack they succeeded in entering French advanced positions of a supporting trench over a front of nearly a mile, capturing more than a thousand men.

Notwithstanding the fresh reserves which the French have thrown into the fray at Fort Douaumont, the German war office declares that their efforts have been fruitless and that the Germans have advanced their lines toward Beaulieu and Vacherauville. It is also claimed that the Germans have

entirely expelled the French from the Meuse peninsula, southward from Amogneux and west of Vacherauville.

On the Russian Front.

On the Russian front around Friedland and Iloukret there has been heavy artillery, machine gun and rifle fire. In Galicia the Russians repulsed an attempt by the Austro-Bulgarians to capture trenches on the middle Stripa river.

The Austrians, according to Vienna, have put down with sanguinary losses an Italian attack against positions on both sides of Monte San Nichele and east of Azzo and also destroyed an Italian trench on the Gorizia bridgehead.

The Russians are still operating successfully against the Turks who fled from Erzerum and the Ottoman forces in the Persian battle zone. Further south, in Mesopotamia, a bombardment by the British of Turkish camp on the left bank of the Tigris river resulted in heavy casualties to the Turks.

British Fighting Tribesmen.

Further details of the fighting between the British and tribesmen offered by Turks in western Egypt, show that the leader of the tribesmen, Kuri Bey, brother of the Turkish minister, was killed and his principal subordinate wounded and that the tribesmen left large numbers of dead and wounded on the field as their main force fled.

The Italian hospital ship Marechiaro has been sunk in the Adriatic sea off the coast of Albania. The vessel struck an Austrian mine. While the extent of the casualties has not become known it is reported that they were numerous.

FURTHER FREIGHT EMBARGOES

BY THE NEW HAVEN ROAD. Because Freight is Accumulating Faster Than It Can Be Unloaded.

New York, Feb. 28.—Further freight embargoes were announced here tonight by the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad. This action was taken, it was said, because of the accumulation of freight on the railroad's lines faster than it can be unloaded.

The new order effective at midnight tonight, is against asphalt, copper, hide leather, iron or steel construction material, cement, wall plaster, stone, lime, brick, lumber, terra cotta and tile from all New York city points and from Boston also against the freight for lighterage delivery in New York harbor and against all shipments to the Merchants and Miners Transportation company in Providence and Boston. The embargoes are not applicable to local business between points on the New Haven, except for the goods mentioned.

Livestock, perishable freight, foodstuffs for human consumption, feed for livestock, news print paper for domestic use, charcoal, fuel oil and gasoline in tank cars are excepted from the order.

PROF. ROSCOE POUND AS DEAN OF HARVARD LAW.

Understood That Board of Overseas Has Selected Him.

Boston, Feb. 28.—It was understood tonight that Professor Roscoe Pound was selected as dean of the Harvard Law school by the board of overseers of Harvard university at a meeting here today. No formal statement was made, however, as the board generally delays its official announcements of appointments for several days.

The new appointee will succeed Professor Austin W. Scott, who has been acting dean since the death a few months ago of Dean Ezra R. Thayer. Professor Pound, who is now a professor at the Harvard Law school, is a graduate of the University of Nebraska and the Harvard Law school. He was dean of the law department of the Nebraska institution for four years and has served on the faculties of Northwestern university and the University of Chicago.

CONFERENCE OF SOFT COAL OPERATORS AND MINERS

Western Pennsylvania and Indiana Companies Holding Out.

New York, Feb. 28.—Little progress was made today by the soft coal operators and miners of the central and petty fields towards reaching an agreement on basic rates for mine run coal. The companies from western Pennsylvania and Indiana holding out for lower prices. The entire day was taken up with the consideration of the mine run rates in those two states in the hope of reaching a decision, but action went over until tomorrow.

The fact that no substantial progress was made leads some of the miners and operators to believe that an agreement on a new scale may not be reached this week.

HENRY JAMES, NOVELIST, IS DEAD IN LONDON.

Was Born an American, But Died a British Subject.

London, Feb. 28, 1915 p. m.—Henry James, the novelist, died today.

Henry James was born an American, but died a British subject. In July, 1915, he took the oath of allegiance to the crown, explaining that he had lived and worked in England for 40 years and had developed such an attachment for the country and sympathy with its people that he desired to throw his moral weight and personal allegiance into the British cause in the European war.

The distinguished novelist, critic and playwright was born in New York April 15, 1843. His father, Henry James, Sr., was noted as a writer on the subject of international law. His brother, William, was later to become distinguished as a psychologist. The family was possessed of an ample fortune and became a successful merchant at Albany, N. Y.

MORE APPEALS RECEIVED FROM FLOOD SUFFERERS.

Water Slowly Rising in Some of the Louisiana Parishes.

Natchez, Miss., Feb. 28.—More appeals for aid were received tonight by the Natchez relief committee from flood sufferers along the Black river in the district back of Newellton and from the Deer Park section. The state relief committee has only a small quantity of food on hand, but it will be furnished the flood sufferers if boats can be obtained for its transportation. Flood sufferers are in a state of shallow draught are available.

Water tonight was reported slowly rising in all parts of Concordia parish and the lowlands of Catahoula parish.

TRAINING COLLEGE FOR SALVATION ARMY WORKERS

To Be Established in Chicago as Memorial to Late General Booth.

New York, Feb. 28.—A meeting of clergymen held today under the auspices of the New York Y. M. C. A. and the Churches approved a plan to establish a national training college here and in Chicago for Salvation Army workers as a memorial to the late General William Booth. Fifty churches extended invitations to Salvation Army representatives to speak to their congregations on the subject of the project, which calls for the raising of a fund of \$1,000,000.

Movements of Steamships.

Liverpool, Feb. 28.—Arrived, steamers St. Paul, New York; Orduna, New York.

Gibraltar, Feb. 28.—Sailed, steamer Ioannina (from Piraeus), New York.

New York, Feb. 28.—Sailed, steamer Epagne, Bordeaux.

New York, Feb. 28.—Sailed, steamer Tusculana, Glasgow.

Bordeaux, Feb. 28.—Arrived, steamer Le Touraine, New York.

Batona, Feb. 21.—Arrived, steamer Montserrat, New York.

Genoa, Feb. 15.—Arrived, steamer America, New York.

Cabled Paragraphs

Steamer Southford Sunk. London, Feb. 28, 9.05 p. m.—According to Lloyd's the British steamer Southford, from London, has been sunk. Eleven of the vessel's crew were saved. Two were killed. The Southford was a vessel of 897 tons.

AN UNPUBLISHED MILITARY HYMN COMPOSED BY LISZT

Suggestion That Music be Set to Words and Sung in German Trenches.

New York, Feb. 28.—A manuscript containing what is declared to be an unpublished military hymn composed by Liszt in Rome in 1876, together with a suggestion that the music be set to words and sung in the German trenches, has been forwarded to the German government by Ambassador von Bernstorff, according to a letter from the ambassador made public here today by Carl V. Lachmund, of Yorkers, N. Y., who was one of Liszt's pupils.

Mr. Lachmund said that while he was studying under the composer many years ago the latter's secretary turned over to him a wastebasket of discarded manuscripts. In examining them recently he found the hymn on the back of one of the sheets and sent it to Ambassador von Bernstorff with the suggestion that it be made a German army hymn. This suggestion, according to Mr. Lachmund, contained no text except the words "Kaiser Wilhelm" intended for the first measure. He described it as characteristic of the German military fanfare spirit.

CARS FOR COMMERCE IN FRANCE RESTRICTED.

Owing to the Present Military Needs—Order by Ministry of War.

Paris, Feb. 27, 5 p. m.—The ministry of war announced today that owing to the present military needs and the suspension of navigation freight cars cannot be placed at the disposition of commerce except to a very limited extent.

"The public will understand," says the announcement, "that the interests of the national defense must take precedence over private interests and will accept with patriotic abnegation the new sacrifice which is imposed."

SHIPMENT OF \$1,500,000 GOLD TO HOLLAND

Made Under Agreement With British Government Against Seizure.

New York, Feb. 28.—Another gold shipment to Holland under an agreement with the British government against seizure will go forward tomorrow on the Holland-America liner Nieuw Amsterdam, for Rotterdam, touching Falmouth. The shipment, amounting to \$1,500,000, was announced today by the Guaranty Trust company and brings the recent movement of gold to Holland from this country to about \$12,000,000. The present shipment is the payment of a sum of \$1,500,000 for the purchase of a Dutch tobacco purchased in Holland for the account of American importers.

GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND UNITED STATES.

Dwelt Upon By Count Okuma, Prime Minister of Japan.

Boston, Feb. 28.—Expressions of great regard for America and its institutions, the strong desire of the Japanese people for continued good relations with the United States were made by Count Okuma, prime minister of Japan, in an interview at the Japanese embassy here today. Mr. Clark, president of the World's Christian Endeavor union, according to a cablegram received here, the headquarters of the union here.

POSTOFFICE APPROPRIATION BILL PASSED IN HOUSE.

\$321,000,000 to Operate Postal System the Coming Year.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Over bitter and persistent opposition the house tonight passed the annual post office appropriation bill with its revisions for substituting a space basis for the present weight basis for the rates for carrying mails and prohibiting any increase in the existing limit of fifty pounds on parcel post packages. The measure carries appropriations aggregating \$321,000,000 to operate the postal system during the coming year.

MAJOR LEONARD O. WOOD CRITICIZES STATE MILITIA

Asserts It Could Never Be a Success in Case of War.

New York, Feb. 28.—Major Leonard O. Wood, U. S. A., in General's Department of the East, in speaking here tonight before 200 members of engineering societies, criticized the State Militia. He said that its organization could never be a success in case of war. In his opinion the attempt to create a new standing army from the militia would be unsuccessful and he intimated he would rather wait for the organization of a volunteer force.

EXPLOSION BELIEVED TO BE IN WOBURN CHEMICAL PLANT.

Windows in Melrose, Seven Miles Distant, Were Shattered.

Boston, Feb. 28.—A heavy explosion, believed to have been in one of the big chemical works in Woburn, was felt over a wide territory early today. Windows in Melrose, more than seven miles from the chemical works, were shattered and buildings in Boston, 12 miles from Woburn, were shaken. The chemical works have been filling large war orders.

OBITUARY.

Harry L. Saunders.

Providence, R. I., Feb. 28.—Harry L. Saunders, a leader of the progressive party in Rhode Island, died suddenly of heart disease in a restaurant here today.

J. S. Raymond.

New York, Feb. 28.—The death of J. S. Raymond, vice president of the Clyde and Mallory Steamship companies, was announced here today. Mr. Raymond died yesterday at his home in Essex Falls, N. J., at the age of 46. He had been in the steamship business for 20 years. He was formerly chairman of the American Railway Accounting association.

Explosion of Five Cases of Dynamite Attempt to Steal a Million Currency

KILLS TWO WOMEN AT MAPLEWOOD, MO. WAS MADE SATURDAY MORNING ON A NEW YORK FERRY

MANY PERSONS INJURED THE THIEF HAD KEYS

Thirty Houses Were Demolished and Many Others Damaged—Explosive Was For Use in Sewer Construction Work—Cause of Explosion Unknown. Packages Contained \$200,000.

St. Louis, Feb. 28.—Two women are known to have been killed and many persons injured, seven seriously, when five cases of dynamite stored in a small building for use in sewer construction work exploded late today at Maplewood, a suburb of St. Louis, southwest of St. Louis.

Thirty houses were demolished and many others damaged.

Searching for More Bodies.

Tonight searching parties were searching for more bodies which it was feared had been buried in the wreckage. The identified dead are Miss Effie Barnett and Mrs. Maggie Evans.

Cause of Explosion Not Learned.

First reports of the explosion resulted in a loss of life. Ambulances and patrol wagons in St. Louis and fire companies were rushed to Maplewood. The cause of the explosion has not been learned.

GERMANY'S FUTURE CONDUCT OF SUBMARINE WARFARE

Will Stand by Assurances Given in Lusitania Case, But Will Treat Armed Merchantmen as Auxiliary Cruisers

Washington, Feb. 28.—Germany, in a formal note presented by Count von Bernstorff to Secretary Lansing today, reiterates assurances regarding the future conduct of submarine warfare given in the Lusitania case, declares that those assurances have not been modified by the memorandum setting forth the German position on the subject of armed merchantmen, and states that the German government will stand by its assurances.

SENATE DEBATING THE SHIELDS DAM BILL.

Myers Water Power Bill Attached as an Amendment.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Senators interested in legislation for the development of water power planned today to shorten debate on the subject by attaching as an amendment to the Shields dam bill, now up for passage, the Myers water power bill, which has been favorably reported by the public lands committee.

HEAD CRUSHED BETWEEN ELEVATOR AND FLOORING.

Body of Pawtucket Man Found in Elevator Wall in Providence.

Providence, R. I., Feb. 28.—Joseph Gallagher of Pawtucket lost his life this afternoon when his head became crushed between the bottom of the elevator and the flooring between the fifth and sixth stories of the Merchants' Cold Storage company's building. The body of the man was found at the bottom of the elevator well by a fellow workman.

BLOW ON HEAD FATAL TO PAWTUCKET MAN.

Police Are Looking for Fellow Workman Suspected of Assault.

Providence, R. I., Feb. 28.—George W. Clark of Pawtucket, employed at a local garage, died today a few hours after he received a blow on the head and the police at once began a search for Brickley N. Dresser, a fellow workman.

The two men were alone in the garage and when the foreman, who had been notified by Dresser that there had been trouble, reached the building, Dresser had disappeared.

LIFE RAFTS PROVE SUPERIOR TO BOATS.

Are More Easily Launched in a Heavy Sea.

Dover, Feb. 28, 2.32 a. m.—The superiority of life rafts over boats for life saving purposes appears to have been established by the sinking of the liner Maipo, which went down after striking a mine off this coast. Life rafts are easier to launch, whereas it has been shown that it is nearly impossible to launch a boat from a moving ship in a heavy sea without inviting disaster.

GERMANY HAS ADDRESSED SHARP NOTE TO PORTUGAL.

In Protest Against Seizure of German Merchant Vessels.

Berlin, Feb. 28.—(By Wireless to Sayville)—Germany has addressed a sharp note to Portugal in protest against seizure of German merchant vessels by the Portuguese authorities. This measure is characterized as a violation of Germany's treaty rights and the hope is expressed that Portugal will rescind its action.

Condensed Telegrams

The Jewish Relief Fund now amounts to \$3,254,104.

Rear Admiral Zimmerman of the German navy died at Wilhelmshaven.

Jack Johnson has been ordered deported from England. He will go to Buenos Aires.

The Allies have taken control of the Greek railways in Macedonia east and west of Salonica.

Jean Mounet-Sully, tragedian at the Comedie Francaise in Paris, is seriously ill there.

After having been closed 4 months public schools in Mexico City and the Federal District have opened.

Thirty Spanish Sisters of Charity sailed from Vera Cruz for New York on the steamship Antonio Lopez.

After eleven weeks' imprisonment, Jacob Swoboda, spy master, was released from jail, at Salem, N. J.

A report from Zurich says that cholera is raging in Croatia, where thousands have already died of the disease.

The strike of dressmakers' helpers in Paris is spreading to many large firms. The strikers demand increased wages.

A measure prohibiting the importation of luxuries which can be dispensed with was passed by the German Bundsrath.

Princess Alice of Bourbon has been indicted at Florence, Italy, for spreading peace propaganda among wounded soldiers there.

William Lambert, for forty years one of New Britain's best known grocers, died at his home there Monday at the age of 85 years.

The French liner Espagne, threatened with destruction by an anonymous writer, will sail from New York for Bordeaux.

Thirty-three American nurses, from the Mercy Hospital, Chicago, left London for six months' service in the field at the British front.

The British steamer Franklin, which was believed to have been sunk by a submarine, arrived at Boston, a week overdue because of gales.

Announcement was made at Chattanooga, Tenn., by local capitalists that they will build there a \$2,000,000 open hearth steel plant and rolling mill.

Burglars visited the national bank building in New Britain over Sunday and looted four dentists' offices, taking a quantity of gold and platinum.

Jacob H. Schiff has contributed \$10,000 to the American Red Cross in New York for the equipment of a second base hospital of 500 beds.

The body of Henry Hoffman of New York, believed to have been killed in the avalanche in the Engadine Mountains, Switzerland, has not been recovered.

Brig. Gen. A. D. MacDonald, of the Canadian Overseas force, was shot through the shoulder at the front by a German sniper. He is said to be doing well.

Gen. Carranza has warned officers of the I. W. W. in Mexico that any attempt at carrying out the general strike throughout Mexico will be met by force.

Several Swiss frontier guards have been killed in two avalanches. Five soldiers were killed when struck by a slide while many others have been dug out alive.

The stockholders of the Southington National bank at a special meeting in that city Monday voted to liquidate the bank and merge the business into that of a trust company.

Marines fired on a man prowling about the naval magazine at Hingham, Mass. The man escaped in a power boat, and additional guards have been stationed at the magazine.

Federal officers raided the plant of Eagle Stamping Co. at Providence, R. I., and seized a complete counterfeiting outfit. Kiker Dederian, known also as K. Gregory, was arrested.

Mrs. Nellie Best, secretary of the Women's Anti-Conscription League, was sentenced in London to six months' imprisonment for circulating literature urging men not to enlist.

Three Mexicans and a negro, accused of having attacked a school teacher, were shot and killed when they tried to escape from Texas rangers taking them to Edinburg, to escape lynching.

Joseph R. Lennon, aged 38, and Elmer Inman, 60, of Chatham, N. J., were instantly killed when the auto in which they were riding was struck by a Jersey Central express train at Chatham.

Frank H. Sommer, of Newark, N. J., was elected dean of the law school of New York University. Twenty-five years ago, Mr. Sommer, then an office boy, attended the university law school at night.

Pierre Rossi, convicted of the attempted murder of Mrs. Mary Flavelle, was sentenced to 10 years in the state prison at Sing Sing for the murder of his wife, which he committed in 1908.

George W. Kendrick, Jr., widely known in financial and business circles of Philadelphia and one of the best known members of the Masonic lodge in the United States, died suddenly from heart disease. He was 75 years old.

An anonymous giver has contributed \$1,500 to the American Ambulance Hospital in Paris for the purchase of an ambulance in memory of Richard M. Hall, Dartmouth student, killed while driving an ambulance at the front.

The Workmen's Club at Portland, Ore., maintained by private charity for the unemployed, closed its doors because the number of unemployed in Portland has become so small that the club's mission is considered fulfilled.

Rev. Edward Downes, who was stricken with apoplexy while celebrating mass at St. Mary's Roman Catholic church in Mt. Carmel, was resting fairly comfortably Monday, but his condition remains precarious.

Treaty with Haiti Ratified by Senate

UNITED STATES WILL ASSUME A PROTECTORATE TO DEVELOP RESOURCES

Will Aid Haitian Government to Extend Its Agricultural, Mineral and Commercial Business and Establish a Solid Basis of Finance.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The senate today unanimously ratified the treaty with Haiti, under which the United States assumes a protectorate over the turbulent island republic, taking over control of its finances and police, guaranteeing its territorial integrity and guaranteeing to develop its resources. The treaty already has been approved by the Haitian congress and its terms are virtually in operation under the eye of a strong American marine expedition.

Treaty Negotiated Last Year

The treaty was negotiated last year by the American government, and set up after marines and blue-jackets under Rear Admiral Caperton had put down the revolution which overthrew the preceding years Haiti had seen eight presidents deposed and most of them murdered or exiled. Guillaume was dragged from the French legation.

CALLS FOR DESTRUCTION OF SHIPS BOUND FOR ENGLAND

George Bernhard Would Sink All German Armed or Unarmed.

Berlin, via London Feb. 28, 10.55 p. m.—George Bernhard, a leading article in the Vossische Zeitung calls for the destruction of all ships bound for England, whether armed or not. He points to the seizure by Portugal of German ships, which he says probably be used under the Portuguese flag to carry foodstuffs to England.

The writer fears also that many German ships lying in South American harbors may eventually be employed for the same purpose and asks: "Shall we then let them sail quietly?"

He says that the only feasible plan is to sink all German ships, but that this should be carried out not against certain categories of British ships, but against British commerce on the seas.

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